

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CAPITAL
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY HELD ON TUESDAY, THE 27TH
MAY, 1969 AT 9.00 A.M.

A meeting of the Board of Capital Development Authority took place at 9.00 A.M. on Tuesday, the 27th May, 1969. Lt. Gen. K.M. Sheikh, Chairman, CDA presided. The following attended :-

1. F.A./Member.
2. Member (Administration).
3. Director General Works.
4. Secretary.
5. Deputy Financial Adviser.
6. S.P & C.O.
7. Director Horticulture.
8. Director Planning.
9. Director Roads.
10. Director Designs.
11. Director Public Relations.
12. Addl. Director (Reh.).
13. Addl. Director (Lands).
14. J.L.A.

The following items were considered :-

- i). Reduction in number of open spaces.
- ii). Development of children park in F6/3 Hillocks.
- iii). Acquisition of built up property of Revenue Estate Kuri.
- iv). Afforestation of land acquired on both sides of the G.T. Road.

I. ACQUISITION OF BUILT UP PROPERTY OF REVENUE
ESTATE KURI.

The Board took up item No. iii) first, namely acquisition of built up property of Abadi Deh of village Kuri. The following decisions were taken :-

- (i). The people being ejected from Kuri may be put in three categories. i.e.

- a. Those who wanted to leave the village Kuri completely once and for all.
- b. Those who did want to leave the village but liked to stay till such time as they made alternate arrangements in neighbouring satellite Kuri.
- c. Those who wanted to stay behind in the village.

As regards (a) full compensation must be paid and property acquired. Houses thus acquired should be put to use as soon as possible. In this regard preference may be given to those who have to be ejected urgently in order to meet the needs of some special project or scheme. Such people should be given preferential treatment and put in occupation of houses.

As regards people who wanted some time for making alternate arrangements for their living, they should be given 50% compensation forthwith. Payment of remaining 50% should await till the Authority acquires possession of their houses.

Regarding people who want to stay behind in the village, the Board decided that such people may be given ownership of the land on which their houses were built. The D.F.A. was requested to examine the financial implications of the proposal and apprise the Board accordingly.

- ii). In all cases, the Board decided that the inventory form should be vetted by the Law Officer.
- iii). The Board did not accept item No. v) contained in paragraph 3 of the summary presented by the Additional Director Lands on the subject.

II. AFFORESTATION OF LAND ACQUIRED ON BOTH SIDES OF G.T. ROAD.

The summary presented by the Director Horticulture on the subject was accepted in principle. The Director Horticulture was requested to prepare a scheme which should be checked by the Finance Wing. The intention was to ascertain as to whether we could meet the needs of such a scheme out of our own finances. In the other alternative the Board also decided that the Authority should approach the Provincial Government with the request to afforest the land acquired by us.

Additional Director Rehabilitation pointed out that a considerable measure of miss-use was in evidence regarding land which stood acquired in CDA name. The Board decided that urgent steps should be taken to demarcate clearly through the help of pillars such land as had already been acquired by the C.D.A.

III. REDUCTION OF OPEN SPACES.

The Board took cognisance of the fact that there has been a tendency in the past to provide open spaces excessively. In view of water scarcity and other items of maintenance etc. such a practice was considered extravagant. The Director Planning was requested to keep this fact in mind and reduce the provision of open spaces as far as possible.

He was further requested that wherever possible such open spaces should be converted into residential plots for use by interested parties for purposes of low-cost housing by way of apartments, flats and small homes. Efforts must be made to increase the density of population and greater land use. Director Planning was requested to prepare a scheme on the subject for consideration by the Board.

IV. DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN PARK IN F6/3 HILLOCKS.

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The design prepared by Mr. Taka Hashi, J.L.A. was viewed by the Board and the following decisions were taken :-

- 1). The number of toilets should be reduced from three to one.
- ii). Amphi theatre was not considered urgently needed. Therefore, the Board decided that though provision of Amphi Theatre may be left, its construction may not be undertaken immediately.
- iii). A small museum for wild life in cages may also be provided. This would be nevertheless a small Zoo.

The Board also requested the Director Horticulture to start planting on the lines suggested by Mr. Taka Hashi. Trees must be carefully selected and properly name-plated in the proposed park.

Inter-alia the Board also reaffirmed a previous decision namely that the whole sector of F-9 should be converted into a park.

The Board also decided that Blue area should progress in the form of linear development up to the end of sector F-9. It should be left for the future Boards to decide what shape it was going to be.

At the conclusion the Board decided that all Directors should be requested to point out what particular decisions taken by the Board have not so far been implemented. The Directors may also bring out difficulties and bottlenecks involved in the implementation of previous Board Decisions.

V. PRESIDENT'S HOUSE:

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Mr. Hydri, Director General Works then gave an interim report to the Board on the progress of the tenders for the President's House. The Chairman and the F.A./Member gave the background of what they were told by the former Director General of Works as to why only two tenders were received for this important building. The Chairman said that Brig. Sharif, the former Director General Works had informed him that MLC were not interested because they had recently won a bid for a multistorey building for the National Shipping Corporation in Karachi. Further this firm had been building American Government buildings in Pakistan and he (Brig. Sharif) apprehended that they might be putting in some listening devices etc. Regarding other firms like Gammons and Hydri Brig. Sharif informed that they were not interested also and that they were moving into the Middle East for construction works. The Chairman further said that he

received a representation from Conforce that the date for opening tenders might be extended by another month. The former D.G.Works advised against this and that was one of the reasons why the tenders were opened a day later i.e. on the 11th of April. The Chairman further showed his apprehension that tenders had been under consideration in the Directorate General of Works since 11th April which was considered too long a period for normal consideration and examination. Mr. Hydri, the Director General Works was directed to have the tenders scrutinized as early as possible and to come up to the Board with his recommendations.
